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THE TRUTH AND THE NEWS.

A day which marks the capture of three closely contested States for Colonel Roosevelt might be regarded as something of a political occasion.

West Virginia, Oregon, and Nebraska are now squarely lined up for the former President. Their accession assures his victory.

But it requires a search warrant and the services of a constable to discover in the columns of most of the Administration organs today any evidence that they recognize significance in these doings.

Once more, are the Administration newspapers too innocent to understand, or are they still trying to mislead the people?

A WORD OF CONDOLENCE.

Mr. Speaker Clark is entitled to, and is herewith extended, the assurances of our distinguished commiseration.

Ever since the Washington Star discovered that it had picked a hopeless one in assuming orphans for the Taft campaign, it has been veering around to an attitude of devoted sycophancy toward the Speaker and his boom.

These commiserations to the Speaker are based on a kindly hope that he will shake off the hoodoo before it is too late. About the most ominous sign in the Speaker's sky just now is the fact that the Star, determined to establish association with some sort of a winner, has been attaching itself to his propaganda.

JONATHAN BOURNE.

Every friend of the great popular government movement that is sweeping this country, that has indeed become the greatest fact in its political life, will profoundly regret the defeat of Jonathan Bourne in his candidacy for re-election to the Senate from Oregon.

Every friend of honest elections, of clean politics, will sorrow that the Bourne campaign, which relied on the judgment of the people, and refused to invest money in red fire, processions and organization, has not succeeded.

Bourne deserved better of Oregon. He is the victim of the effort to give us a new and better and a decenter kind of politics.

And all this is true, no matter how entirely desirable a candidate and a Senator in posse may be the Hon. Ben Selling, who has defeated Bourne for this nomination.

SMOKE AND ADVERTISING.

Atlanta believes in advertising and every man, woman, and child in the town is an advertiser by birth, inclination, habit, and compulsion. The latest wrinkle of the Atlanta boosters is to take a series of moving pictures to show the wonders and glories of the business section of that Southern metropolis where skyscrapers are as thick and almost as ambitious as in Manhattan.

But, alas and alack! The soft coal smoke was so thick that the pictures couldn't be taken. And then it was suggested that all the factories and power houses and other industrial plants be shut down at a certain time so the pictures could be taken. And it was done.

Whereupon some Atlanta advertiser, more gifted than his brothers, sent out the story to the world. The plain inference is that there is so much industrial activity in the Georgia town that the factories have to close down to permit one to see his hand before his face for the smoke. As usual, it is a great victory for Atlanta.

JUSTICE.

Congress, representing the people of the United States, passed a bill in 1910 extending the regulations of the interstate commerce laws to the express companies, it having been suspected that these companies from time to time engaged in the business of transporting goods for hire from one State to another. The President signed the bill and it became a part of the law of the land. Nobody, not even the express companies, publicly opposed it.

The Department of Justice, in the course of its affairs, sought indictment of the Adams Express Company for certain alleged violations of the interstate commerce law, the alleged violations having to do with certain overcharges imposed upon the public. A special grand jury in Cincinnati reported the indictment. So far it was all right. The law has been made, and the proper officers of the law were seeking to enforce it.

Then comes a lawyer into the United States Federal court at Cincinnati and he says to Judge Hollister that there isn't any law that applies to the Adams Express Company. It seems that the interstate commerce laws apply only to corporations and individuals and that the Adams Express Company is neither a corporation nor an individual. It is a stock association. And thereupon Judge Hollister sustained a motion made by this lawyer to set aside the

service had by the Government upon the agent of the company. That ends it. The efforts of Congress and the Department of Justice avail nothing. It is such technical justice as this that causes some people to shock some other people by saying unpretty things about judges and courts and the mazes of the law.

WHAT THE PEOPLE HAVE SAID.

All the way from Pennsylvania to Oregon, representing every section and every type of interests, six States have now declared themselves in Presidential preference primaries.

Every one of these States, except Nebraska, cast its electoral vote for Mr. Taft in 1908. The States and their Presidential pollings in that year follow:

	Taft.	Bryan.
North Dakota.....	57,680	32,885
Wisconsin.....	247,747	166,632
Illinois.....	629,929	450,795
Pennsylvania.....	745,779	448,778
Nebraska.....	126,997	131,099
Oregon.....	62,530	38,049
Totals.....	1,870,662	1,268,238

Taft's majority, 602,424.

Three votes for Taft to two for Bryan, four years ago.

This year, those same six States have repudiated Mr. Taft by majorities even more emphatic and conclusive, in their Presidential primaries. It was more than two to one against Taft in Illinois and Pennsylvania; about forty to one in North Dakota; overwhelming in the other three States.

For the Republican party, in the face of that showing, to proceed with a machine-made nomination of Mr. Taft, would be sheer suicide. Fortunately, it is now certain that the party will do nothing of the sort.

Oregon and Nebraska gave their verdicts yesterday. West Virginia joined them. This week New Hampshire will take its place in the column. The fight is as good as over, and the party is rising to the demands of a critical occasion.

UTILITIES BILL PASSES THE SENATE.

If the Democratic leadership in the House is half as skillful as it ought to be to justify it in offering two candidates for the Presidency, it will now recognize that there can be no more nonsense about the District public utilities bill. The Republican Senate has shaped up an excellent measure and passed it.

Will the Democrats in the House do as well?

Mr. Chairman Johnson, with his captious objections, his incapacity to deal with the real problems of a large city, his assumption that he is so honest that he dare not indorse anything that any other man approves lest it may contain a joker—if Mr. Johnson is permitted to have his way, there will probably be no legislation, even yet. If matters turn out that way, the Democratic House will have permitted a mistake whose gravity will be made entirely apparent before the end of the year's campaign.

This issue has now got so big that it will not do to trust the eccentric head of the House committee to play ducks and drakes with it. It is an affair in which the whole Democratic party is acutely concerned. The cheery contempt which Chairman Johnson has entertained for the interests of Washington, must not now be permitted to deprive the Democratic House of this opportunity to "make good." The chairman, unless he displays a proper disposition for once to do business and get results, will have to be taken in hand by his party managers and made to understand that it is now up to him to perform. The party is concerned to make sure that neither his fears of other men's honesty nor his peculiar conception of the dignity of his place as chairman, can now be allowed to stand in the way of passing this measure.

The Senate bill is on the whole an excellent piece of legislation. It gives the District Commissioners, serving as a utilities commission, ample powers to control the public service instruments of the town. Its provisions against overcapitalization are supplemented by effective provisions for physical valuation of the various properties. Senator Cummins insisted that all this must be strengthened by the prohibition of capitalizing surplus. This is absolutely essential, and represents a long step toward real control that will place rates and charges on a reasonable basis. When a public service company accumulates a surplus out of its earnings, invests that surplus in extensions or improvements, and then issues capitalization against it, the corporation is simply making the public pay twice for the improvements. This is a favorite way of piling up the burden of capitalization. It makes adequate regulation of rates utterly impossible. There is no more important provision in the measure than the one which prohibits this performance.

At the beginning of the session it was commonly supposed that the House would readily enough pass a good bill. The Senate was supposed to be the danger spot. As matters have turned out, the Senate has proved more willing to serve the public interest than the House; and the reason lies in the unaccountable indisposition of Chairman Johnson to do business.

The people charged with the real responsibility for the Democratic House's record must now take Mr. Johnson in hand and cause him to act.

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA.

Mr. J. Bruce Ismay is entitled to be protected in his every privilege as a British subject and there is no doubt that his government will afford him that protection. There is also no doubt that the Senate will respect his every right and privilege. Mr. Ismay is also entitled to a suspension of judgment until all the facts are known.

But at the same time Mr. Ismay ought not to be permitted to use his British allegiance as an excuse for avoiding or evading the ordeal through which he must pass. The truth must be known, and to that end the investigation must be searchingly complete. It is not to be believed that the British government will in any way interfere with the proper and legitimate function of the Senate committee.

TACT MACHINE TO MAKE LAST STAND IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

Administration to Make Desperate Effort to Win at Polls Tuesday.

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at the elections, but the progressive Republicans have insisted that they would have a good chance to carry the legislature if they had a strong progressive running for the Senate.

On the Democratic side, Champ Clark gets Nebraska, and Wilson's people are positive that they have captured Oregon, making it practically an even break.

The summary of the political situation today shows Roosevelt a leader, even with the 100 contested votes all counted against him. Senator Dixon's summary says:

"Six hundred and forty-four delegates to the Republican national convention have been elected up to date. Of these 23 are for Colonel Roosevelt, 36 for Mr. Taft, 6 for Senator Cummins, 36 for Senator R. F. Pollette, 118 are uncommitted, including 88 from New York State, and contests are pending in the cases of the remaining 100."

Senator Dixon's Figures.

The delegates, as chosen, are divided in a table Senator Dixon gave out at headquarters later:

State.	Roosevelt.	Taft.	Cummins.	La Follette.	Uncommitted.
Alabama.....	10	10	10	10	10
Arizona.....	10	10	10	10	10
Arkansas.....	10	10	10	10	10
California.....	10	10	10	10	10
Colorado.....	10	10	10	10	10
Connecticut.....	10	10	10	10	10
Delaware.....	10	10	10	10	10
Florida.....	10	10	10	10	10
Georgia.....	10	10	10	10	10
Hawaii.....	10	10	10	10	10
Idaho.....	10	10	10	10	10
Illinois.....	10	10	10	10	10
Indiana.....	10	10	10	10	10
Iowa.....	10	10	10	10	10
Kentucky.....	10	10	10	10	10
Louisiana.....	10	10	10	10	10
Maine.....	10	10	10	10	10
Michigan.....	10	10	10	10	10
Mississippi.....	10	10	10	10	10
Missouri.....	10	10	10	10	10
Montana.....	10	10	10	10	10
Nebraska.....	10	10	10	10	10
Nevada.....	10	10	10	10	10
New Mexico.....	10	10	10	10	10
New York.....	10	10	10	10	10
North Carolina.....	10	10	10	10	10
North Dakota.....	10	10	10	10	10
Ohio.....	10	10	10	10	10
Oregon.....	10	10	10	10	10
Pennsylvania.....	10	10	10	10	10
Philadelphia.....	10	10	10	10	10
South Carolina.....	10	10	10	10	10
Tennessee.....	10	10	10	10	10
Vermont.....	10	10	10	10	10
Virginia.....	10	10	10	10	10
Wisconsin.....	10	10	10	10	10
Totals.....	239	85	6	38	118

The West Virginia State convention will be controlled by Roosevelt by three to one. Of 102 delegates elected in this county on Saturday, Taft has less than 100.

The only Congressional district in doubt, the First, has 100 delegates in its district. Convention held here, with forty-nine, has not chosen its delegates. If Taft should get a solid delegation there he would be in a position of control, and Dixon says today that there is small chance for Taft to get a delegate out of Ohio.

Governor Hadley, of Missouri, wrote to Roosevelt headquarters that the Missouri delegation would vote for Taft by a little over 100 majority. It will meet this week, and add the Missouri vote to the Taft forces. In addition Roosevelt will get at least two-thirds of the District delegates.

WOMEN WILL STRIVE TO ASSIST HOSPITAL

Members of Every Episcopal Parish to Insure Success of Bazaar.

Members of every Episcopal parish in the city are working for the success of the bazaar to be given in the ballroom of the Arlington Hotel Wednesday and Thursday for the benefit of the Episcopal Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital. The bazaar will be open from 4 to 10 p. m. each day.

The following women are assisting Mrs. C. E. Buck, president of the hospital board: Mrs. William H. Fox, of St. John's parish, and Mrs. William H. Wilmer, of Epiphany, will have cake tables; Mrs. Joseph R. Johnson, of St. Thomas, and Mrs. A. C. Fenton, of St. Margaret's, candy tables. Miss Florence Ascension, assisted by young women from Ascension parish, and the Chaplain of the Good Shepherd, will have the floral booth, while Miss M. A. Mason, of St. Paul's, assisted by a corps of young women from various parishes, will serve ice cream.

Mrs. R. H. Hawhurst is chairman of the committee on arrangements, Mrs. William M. Dove is ticket agent, and Miss F. E. Glavin is in charge of the official doorkeeper; Mrs. C. B. Hopkin, chairman of music committee, and Mrs. Thomas J. Jones, chairman of supper committee.

Laboratory Building To Be Ready in Fall

The new electrical laboratory building for the Bureau of Standards, containing a constant temperature room, and non-magnetic walls, will be completed early in the fall.

Work on the building located on Pierce Mill road, near Connecticut avenue, has been started and it will be pushed to completion during the summer months. It will be of granite, limestone, and brick, and the first floor has been equipped with non-magnetic room treatments. It is to cost \$200,000, and will be four stories high.

St. Louisans Will Form Society Here

So many St. Louisans attended a meeting last night at the residence of E. R. Williams, 12 S street northeast, to discuss the organization of a St. Louis social club, that no business was transacted. It was decided to obtain an auditorium for a big meeting on the night of May 2, and it is probable the meeting will be held in Carroll Institute hall. All St. Louisans in the city are urged to attend the meeting.

In the Mail Bag

Readers of The Times are invited to use this department as their own—to write freely and frankly with the assurance that no letter not objectionable in language will be denied publication. Letters must not, however, exceed 250 words in length, and must be written only on one side of the paper. Letters must bear the names and addresses of the writers as evidence of good faith, but the names will not be made public without the consent of the contributors. Address MAIL BAG EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

ASKS WHAT ABOUT SAVING MR. ISMAY

To the Editor of THE TIMES:
They say the Titanic did not have enough boats. But I notice she had enough to give place to Bruce Ismay, president of the line, who was responsible for the lack of enough boats to supply the women and children whose money he took. Is he not legally and morally responsible for the murder of the woman whose place he took in the boat?
JOHN JORDAN.

THINKS INTERVENTION SHOULD COME SOON

To the Editor of THE TIMES:
You owe it to the National Government to editorially sound a note of warning against intervention in Mexico during July and August, because of the extreme heat there at that season of the year. For this reason at least American intervention prior to June 1 should be urged by The Times. There is hardly a doubt that intervention is inevitable, and it will be manifestly to the interest of all concerned that the first step be taken promptly and decisively.
Yours very truly,
W. WESLEY MILLER.

ANOTHER PROTEST AGAINST BAD WHISKY

To the Editor of THE TIMES:
An article in The Times of April 17, entitled "Chemist" offers an argument for alcohol. What he says of its food value may be quite true, but what of the adulterated alcohol and whisky sold today. I claim it is doped and creates fends by the thousands, so the saloon-keeper can increase his business. Once a man becomes addicted to the doped whisky habit calls again and again. Soon he becomes a maniac when under the influence of the doped whisky, and wants to commit the crimes of insanity. All my sympathy goes out to a drunkard. He is an object of pity. The man who begins to drink is surely doomed. It is only a question of time, and a very short time, too, for it does not take long to win its victim.
In the olden times whisky did not affect men as it does at the present time, for people then were not money mad, as now, and did not resort to such infamy as doping. It is something appalling to see the staggering men and boys upon the streets of this city; it is an everyday occurrence, and what can be expected when 533 saloon doors

Evening Services in the Churches

"S. O. S. or the Lesson of the Titanic," the Rev. J. J. Muir, at the Temple Baptist Church, 8 p. m.
"The Titanic—Pleasure and Profit vs. Safety," The Rev. F. W. Johnson, at the Grace Baptist Church, 7:45 p. m.
"The Real Titanic Disaster or the Spiritual S. O. S. in the Voyage of Life," the Rev. J. Compton Ball, at the Metropolitan Baptist Church.
"The Teachings of a Tragedy," the Rev. Hinson Vernon Howlett, at the Second Baptist Church, 8 p. m.
"God, Man, and the Titanic," the Rev. Hermon Spencer Pinkham, at the Immanuel Baptist Church, 8 p. m.
"The Titanic, A World Full of Sorrow—How Can God Be Good," the Rev. J. S. Montgomery, at the Metropolitan Memorial Methodist Church, 8 p. m.
"The Insatiable Sea," the Rev. W. R. Wedderspoon, at the Foundry M. E. Church, 8 p. m.
"The Horror of Hattin and the Sermon on the Mount," the Rev. George A. Miller, at the Ninth Street Christian Church, 8 p. m.
"Our Unshaken City," the Rev. J. M. M. Gray, at the Hamline M. E. Church, 8 p. m.
"The Ineffectual Disguise," the Rev. L. Morgan Chambers, at the McKendree Church, 8 p. m.
"The Reformation of the Netherlands," the Rev. Samuel H. Woodrow, at the First Congregational Church, 8 p. m.
"The Hope That Helps," the Rev. E. H. Swem, at Centennial Baptist Church, 8 p. m.
"Along African Trails," illustrated lecture by the Rev. C. H. Patton, of the American Board of Foreign Missions, at the Mt. Pleasant Congregational Church, 8 p. m.
"Religious Unity and Philosophy," Abdul Baha, noted Persian philosopher, at the Church of Our Father, at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon.
"Self Possession," the Rev. Charles Wood, at the Church of the Covenant, 8 p. m.
"Ye Are Complete In Him," the Rev. B. D. Gaw, at the West Washington Baptist Church.

A Word of Appreciation and a Final Appeal

April 20, 1912.

The Joint Finance Committee of the Associated Charities and Citizens' Relief Association wishes to thank those who have generously responded to its campaign for funds.

Because of the severe winter the number of persons befriended by these organizations shows an increase of 20 per cent as compared with a year ago. Fifteen hundred dollars is still needed before the Committee can complete its labors. Contributions in any amount will be gratefully received and promptly acknowledged.

On behalf of the Committee,
Very respectfully,

CORCORAN THOM,
President Associated Charities.
MICHAEL I. WELLER,
President Citizens' Relief Association.
MILTON E. AILES,
Chairman Joint Finance Committee.
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SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR VETERANS TO HOLD CELEBRATION

Thirteenth Anniversary of Camp No. 1 to Be Observed Next Thursday.

The thirteenth anniversary of Gen. Nelson A. Miles Camp, No. 1, Spanish War Veterans, will be held Thursday night. A misunderstanding as to the date of the celebration caused many to think it was to have been held last night, but instead it will be Thursday. The veterans will meet in Eagles Hall, Sixth and E streets northwest.

Sigmund Dirnfield, of the committee of arrangements, has mailed over 1,000 invitations to prominent members of Congress and private citizens of the city. Special invitations to those members in Congress who saw service in the fight with Spain, have been mailed. Those to whom such invitations have been sent are Congressmen L. C. Dyer, Sydney Anderson, William H. Hughes, Francis Burton Harrison, Thomas Spencer Craig, Wyatt Allen, Samuel R. Sells, Cordell Hull, George Alvin Loud, John Wingate Weeks, William Francis Murphy, Butler Ames, Charles E. Fuller, Claudius Ulysses Stone, William Schley Howard, John Q. Tilson, Richmond Pearson Hobson, and Senator Miles Polinder.

Miles Camp holds the honor of being the pioneer camp of the Spanish War Veterans throughout the United States. It was organized in April, 1899, and as a body participated in the peace jubilee in 1899 held in this city.

A detachment of uniformed men from the different branches of the service, soldiers, sailors, and marines, will attend. Jere A. Costello is chairman of the committee on arrangements for the celebration. He is having the hall properly decorated for the occasion and is arranging a list of well-known speakers. Those named with Mr. Costello are Sigmund Dirnfield, James A. Leahy, Robert Cullen, Dennis J. Galt, William Gardner, Richard L. Trice, and William A. Hickey.

ARGO LODGE TO HEAR JOSEPH STRASBURGER

President Will Give Illustrated Lecture Tuesday Evening.

The next meeting of Argo Lodge, Order of B'nai B'rith, will be held at the Eighth Street Temple, April 23, at 8 o'clock p. m. A large number of candidates will be initiated, and other important business transacted.

Immediately following this meeting the doors will be thrown open to the public, in order that all may listen to a lecture by Joseph Strasburger, president of Argo Lodge, on the subject of his recent trip to the West Indies and Panama canal. The lecture will be illustrated with lantern slides.

Simor Wolf, past grand president of the Constitutional Grand Lodge will preside, and will tell of the charitable work being done by the Order B'nai B'rith. Deputy Grand President Isaac Heldheim will look after the comfort of the guests.

It is expected that a large number will be in attendance. The Order B'nai B'rith is the only international Jewish organization in existence, and the meetings are largely attended.

EXPLOSION IN HOTEL ALARMS BANQUETERS

California State Association Feast Interrupted by Mishap.

At the beginning of a word picture of the San Francisco earthquake by Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida at the National Hotel, a dynamo under the banquet hall blew out with a terrific roar, and the 200 diners were thrown into a semi-panic. For several minutes the hall was in complete darkness. The floor quivered, and the women in the room were greatly frightened. Within a short space an emergency dynamo was put in operation and the room lighted again.

The speeches were all eulogistic of California. Besides Senator Fletcher, other speakers were Congressmen H. B. Ferguson of New Mexico; John E. Raker and Joseph R. Knowland of California; John H. Marble, Rep. Pulaski, and J. J. McGowan, Congressman Knowland was the toastmaster.

Appropriation for Titanic Mail Clerks

An appropriation of \$2,000 for the families of each of the United States mail clerks lost when the Titanic foundered has been asked of Congress by Postmaster General Hitchcock. In an official communication sent to Chairman Moon of the House Postal Committee. The Postmaster General calls attention to the fact that this is the maximum amount allowed by law for railway mail clerks killed in the line of duty. With the request for an appropriation, Mr. Hitchcock included the report received by him from an officer of the Titanic showing that the mail clerks died bravely, working like heroes to save the most valuable mail left in their care.

Concert Today

By United States Engineer Band, at Washington Barracks, at 4 p. m.
JULIUS KAMPER, Leader.
PROGRAM.
March, "Berlin Echoes".....Linke
Overture, "Orpheus".....Offenbach
Waltz, "Buenos Aires".....Huguenin
Grand Fantasia, "Cavalleria Rusticana".....Mascagni
Intermezzo, "Gretchen".....Martin
Selection, "Mile. Modiste".....Herbert
"The Star-Spangled Banner."